WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. An isolated polypeptide comprising the enzymatic catalytic domains of 1,3-1,4- β -D-glucanase and excluding the carboxyl terminal 78 amino acid residues of the 1,3-1,4- β -D-glucanase.
- 2. The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 7.
- 3. The polypeptide of claim 2, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 12.
- 4. The polypeptide of claim 3, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 9 or 14.
- 5. The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 8.
- 6. The polypeptide of claim 5, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 12.
- 7. The polypeptide of claim 6, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 13 or 15.
 - 8. The polypeptide of claim 1, wherein the polypeptide is glycosylated.
- 9. The polypeptide of claim 8, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 7.
- 10. The polypeptide of claim 9, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 12.

- 11. The polypeptide of claim 10, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 9 or 14.
- 12. The polypeptide of claim 8, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 8.
- 13. The polypeptide of claim 12, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 12.
- 14. The polypeptide of claim 13, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 13 or 15.
- 15. An isolated nucleic acid comprising a sequence that encodes the polypeptide of claim 1.
- 16. The nucleic acid of claim 15, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 7.
- 17. The nucleic acid of claim 16, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 12.
- 18. The nucleic acid of claim 17, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 9 or 14.
- 19. The nucleic acid of claim 15, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 8.
- 20. The nucleic acid of claim 19, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 12.

- 21. The nucleic acid of claim 20, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 13 or 15.
 - 22. A vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 15.
- 23. The vector of claim 22, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 7.
- 24. The vector of claim 22, wherein the polypeptide contains the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 8.
 - 25. A host cell comprising the nucleic acid of claim 15.
- 26. The host cell of claim 25, wherein the host cell is a bacterium, yeast, insect, plant, or mammalian cell.
 - 27. The host cell of claim 26, wherein the host cell is an E. coli or P. pasrotis cell.
 - 28. A method of producing a polypeptide, the method comprising: placing the host cell of claim 25 in a culture; expressing the polypeptide in the host cell; and, isolating the polypeptide from the culture.